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Poultry Programs

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CHICKEN AND CHICKEN PRODUCTS, INVITATION NO. 21, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-283

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell chicken and chicken products as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, March 28. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, April 1. Deliveries are to be made from May 1 to May 15.

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Items listed as "KOSHER ONLY" must be produced as a Kosher product. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-283; Appendix-1; the Commodity Specifications for Chicken Parts, Batter/Breaded Chicken Parts, and Bulk Pack Chicken and Chicken Parts dated May 2004; or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260,1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-283, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by mechanically refrigerated trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Bulk Pack, Small (221690) - Bulk packed for further processing, chilled ready-to-cook broiler/fryer chickens without necks and giblets. Frozen may be specified in the Invitation. The weight range for an individual chicken is 2.50 to 3.75 pounds (1.13 to 1.70 kg), without necks and giblets. The commodity must be packed in commercial containers as required in the Commodity Specification for Bulk Pack Chicken and Chicken Parts dated May 2004. A purchase unit will total 36,000 pounds (16,329 kg).

Bulk Pack, Large (222590) - Bulk packed for further processing, chilled ready-to-cook broiler/fryer chickens without necks or giblets. Frozen may be specified in the Invitation. The individual chicken weight range must be over 3.75 pounds (over 1.70 kg) per carcass weighed without necks and giblets. The commodity must be packed in commercial containers as required in the Commodity Specification for Bulk Pack Chicken and Chicken Parts date May 2004. A purchase unit will total 36,000 pounds (16,329 kg).

Thighs, Bulk Parts (224290) - Chilled chicken thighs, bulk packed for further processing. Thighs must weigh between 2.50 and 10.50 ounces (70.87 and 297.66 g) each, or be produced from ready-to-cook broiler/fryer chickens which weigh 2.50 to 7 pounds (1.13 to 3.18 kg) per whole carcass, without necks and giblets. Frozen may be specified in the Invitation. The commodity must be packed in commercial containers as required in the Commodity Specification for Bulk Pack Chicken and Chicken Parts dated May 2004. A purchase unit will total 36,000 pounds (16,329 kg).

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY283 INVITATION : 021

COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN

COMM TYPE : 16 CHICKEN, FRESH/FROZEN BULK SM

PACK SIZE : 90 2 1/2 - 3 3/4 LB BULK PACK

ITEM DESTINATION TRANS
NO CITY ST RESTR TRANS QUANTITY (LBS) ---- ------_____

DELIVERY PERIOD 05/01/05 - 05/15/05

SC 001 SUMTER 144,000 002 PINE BLUFF AR TRUCK ONLY 648,000 *

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 792,000

COMM TYPE : 25 CHICKEN, FRESH/FROZEN BULK LG

PACK SIZE : 90 OVER 3.75 LB BULK PACK

ITEM DESTINATION TRANS QUANTITY NO CITY ST RESTR (LBS) ---- ----- -- -- -----

DELIVERY PERIOD 05/01/05 - 05/15/05

003 BOAZ AL TRUCK ONLY 1,512,000 004 NEW HOLLAND PA TRUCK ONLY 5,688,000 *

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 7,200,000

^{*} NO TOLERANCE ALLOWED - Less than 36,000 pounds will be rejected.

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY283 INVITATION : 021

COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN

COMM TYPE : 42 CHICKEN, CHILLED, THIGHS

PACK SIZE : 90 BULK PACK

ITEM DESTINATION TRANS QUANTITY
NO CITY ST RESTR (LBS)

DELIVERY PERIOD 05/01/05 - 05/15/05

005 PINE BLUFF AR TRUCK ONLY 72,000 *

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 72,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 4,356,000

* NO TOLERANCE ALLOWED - Less than 36,000 pounds will be rejected.

Dennis J. Pearson Contracting Officer

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